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Subject: RE: STIP Amd FFY09-19 ARRA Projects

Information regarding FY 2009 STIP amendment #19 has been reviewed. The request was transmitted via e-mail on August 31, 2009, and a hard copy was received in the mail on September 1, 2009. The amendment involves 18 projects located in the Hampton Roads District to be funded with \$22,490,229 in ARRA funding (using \$733,185 in planned obligation authority in FY 2009 and \$21,757,044 in planned obligation authority in FY 2010); this brings the planned ARRA obligations in Virginia to \$678,486,864 (\$652,080,310 in FY 2009 and \$26,406,554 in FY 2010). All of the projects being amended to the STIP are being amended as grouped projects in the following categories: Bridge Rehab/Replace/Reconstruction; Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements; Preventive Maintenance & System Preservation; and Preventive Maintenance for Bridges.

The information that was transmitted with STIP amendment #19 includes evidence that the MPO has taken appropriate action to account for the projects and the ARRA funding in their TIPs. Further, the projects are located in an air quality maintenance area and based on a review of the projects, it is apparent that the projects are not regionally significant and subject to conformity. Finally, consistent with ARRA guidance, the STIP amendment demonstrates fiscal constraint and will not affect the FHWA/FTA Planning Finding dated September 22, 2008; accordingly, the planning finding remains valid.

Based on the foregoing, STIP amendment **FY-09 #19** is approved today, September 1, 2009.

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